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Status									
1)	Responsive to communication(s) filed on	<b></b>							
2a) <u></u> ☐									
3)□	Since this application is in condition for allowa	ance except fo	or formal matters, pro:	secution as to the	e merits is				
	closed in accordance with the practice under	Ex parte Qua	yle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	3 O.G. 213.					
Dispositi	ion of Claims								
4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.  5) ☐ Claim(s) is/are allowed.  6) ☐ Claim(s) is/are rejected.  7) ☐ Claim(s) is/are objected to.  8) ☐ Claim(s) 1-19 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.									
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9)[]	The specification is objected to by the Examine	er.							
10)	10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.								
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.									
Priority u	ınder 35 U.S.C. § 119								
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) □ All b) □ Some * c) ☒ None of:  1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  2. □ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No  3. □ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.									
Attachmen	t(s)		,						
	e of References Cited (PTO-892)	4	) Interview Summary (						
3) 🔲 Inforr	e of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) nation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) r No(s)/Mail Date	•	Paper No(s)/Mail Dat ) Notice of Informal Pa ) Other:		D-152)				

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Election/Restriction

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- Claims 4-10 and 14-16, drawn to compounds, classified in class 546, subclass I. 273.7.
- II. Claims 1-3, 11-13 and 17-19, drawn to multiple processes of preparing, classified in class 546, subclass 268.1.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

These distinct inventions have acquired separate status in the art, will support separate patents, and will require different fields of search for the respective inventions. Accordingly, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is considered proper; 35 U.S.C. 121; 37 CFR 1.141; 37 CFR 1.142.

Inventions I and II are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case the products as claimed can be made by other materially different processes as evidenced by applicants' own claims and specification.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art because of their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

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In, <u>In re Weber</u>, 198 USPQ 332, <u>In re Hengehold</u>, 169 USPQ 473, was noted for the proposition that as long as applicants have maintained the right (as they do here) to file the nonelected subject matter in divisional applications, then restriction is proper, as to that point.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

This restriction requirement is being written as previous experience has indicated that with Foreign applicants and the inherent time delays, applicants' representative is better able to make an informed, correct, election of the invention applicants would wish to have prosecuted here if applicants are given the opportunity to see the restriction requirement laid out, and given the time to make an informed decision.

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patricia L. Morris whose telephone number is (571) 272-0688. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays through Fridays.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Patricia Morris Primary Examiner Art Unit 1625

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